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FM AMCONSUL ISTANBUL

TO SECSTATE 4603

INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA

C O N F I D E N T I A L ISTANBUL 3334

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AMER

SUBJ: EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION: SAFE HAVEN CONTINGENCY

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1. CONGEN DEFERS TO EMBASSY ANKARA ON QUESTION 1. (A) REFTEL CONCERNING ATTITUDE GOT. WITH REGARD QUESTIONS 1. (B) AND 1. (C), NUMBER OF EVACUEES WHO COULD BE ACCOMMODATED HERE VARIES CONSIDERABLY DEPENDING ON TIMING. HOTEL SPACE FOR PERIOD FROM OCT 26 THROUGH NOV 4 VIRTUALLY NON-EXISTANT DUE VISITOR INFLUX IN CONNECTION WITH TURKISH 50TH ANNIVERSARY AND BOSPHORUS BRIDGE OPENING. FROM NOW UNTIL OCT 26, ESTIMATE WE COULD MANAGE FIND HOTEL SPACE FOR MINIMUM 100, MAXIMUM 250-300 AT 3 OF 5 BETTER HOTELS WHICH SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES. FOR PERIOD NOV 4 ONWARD, ESTIMATE COULD FIND ROOM FOR 1500 MINIMUM, 300 MAXIMUM DEPENDING ON AMOUNT OF ADVANCE NOTICE WHICH WE WOULD HAVE.

2. SHOULD NOTE THAT NUMBERS GIVEN ABOVE WOULD BE IN AT LEAST 3 DIFFERENT LOCATIONS WHICH WOULD MAKE PROVISION TRANSPORT, MEDICAL SERVICE, ETC. VERY DIFFICULT. NUMBERS OF EVACUEES WHO COULD BE ACCEPTED COULD BE CONSIDERABLY

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EXPANDED, PERHAPS AS MUCH AS DOUBLED, IF WE USE SECOND

CLASS HOTELS. HOWEVER, IN VIEW LACK OF HEAT, HOT WATER AND
OTHER NECESSITIES, WOULD WANT TO CONSIDER THESE ONLY IN
EXTREME EMERGENCY.

3. IN VIEW VERY LIMITED AVAILABILITY COMMISSARY SUPPLIES,
MEDICAL SERVICES, TRANSPORTATION BELIEVE ISTANBUL NOT RPT
NOT SUITABLE FOR EXTENDED STAY.
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